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Applicants: Takaaki MATSUFUJI et al. Conf.: 5901  
Appl. No.: 10/618,819 Group: 1731  
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For: LOW FIRE-SPREADING CIGARETTE

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 5, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Non-Final Office Action dated December 5, 2003, the period for response having been extended one (1) month to April 5, 2004, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

**This reply includes:**

**Amendments to the Claims; and  
Remarks.**

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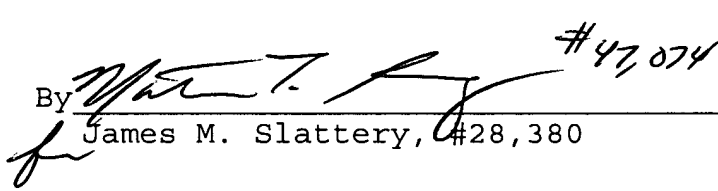
- ☒ Petition for one (1) month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). **\$110.00** for the extension of time.
- ☐ No fee is required.
- ☒ Check(s) in the amount of **\$110.00** is(are) enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. This form is submitted in triplicate.


If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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